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To Whom It May Concern,

I'm writing in regard to the proposed redevelopment of two lots in the Victory Heights neighborhood. I live about 2 blocks from the site and wouldn't be directly affected the project. I am, however, concerned about the willingness of the city to allow developers to raze entire lots and pack in large numbers of homes. Most of the people who live here place a high value on the beautiful, mature trees throughout the neighborhood. New development will happen. We get that and I don't think anyone expects the neighborhood not to change. The city should take into consideration the character of this neighborhood and require that builders leave a large percentage of mature trees, building around them. This may mean that they can't pack six houses onto these two lots... so be it.

We've recently had a neighbor hack down what was a wall of trees on our property line. They'll soon be subdividing and building a house right on our fence line. Previously, we couldn't see the homes behind us. Now we look right into their back yards. Previously, we enjoyed watching a family of raccoons that would play and nap in the trees, just feet from our living room window. Since the trees were cut down we haven't seen the raccoons. There is a surprising amount of wildlife in our neighborhood but the more the city allows developers to chop down trees, the more the animals will be pushed out.

I understand the frustration of those who live next to this proposed development and I couldn't be more supportive in their efforts to place reasonable restrictions on the amount of damage the developers are allowed to do to these properties and to our neighborhood.

Thank you,
Alec Griffith